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Classified by DCM Susan L. Ziadeh for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).

(C) Pol/Econ Chief April 22 delivered Ref A information concerning Venezuela's irresponsible behavior to MFA Director for International Organization Affairs Ghassan Shaikho. In response to P/E Chief's question, Shaikho said that Bahrain had still not decided who it would support for the non-permanent UNSC seats, but said it would take into account the USG's concerns about Venezuela's candidacy.

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